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Previous references.
Geol 108-16
" 143-16-2
" 63-16-2
" 2-15-62

Later references.
Geol 37-19(1-2)
Geol 58-21-(1-2)
Geol 26-22-(1-3)

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File No. 38-17

Serial Nos. 3-7

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 3-7

Part B for June 19

SUBJECT.

Mineral licenses applied for and held by the North Kolar gold field Syndicate

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G. 27 313 Dr. 8. 6. 19. To the Director Dept. of Mines and Geology

States that the Government are prepared to give the Syndicate the option to take out the mining lease over the block under the new rules

K. 3.7.19

W D 1250—GPB—30,000 28-1-19

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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NOTES.

File No. 38-17

FILE HEADING.

Mineral licences applied for & held by the North Kolar Gold Syndicate

From

The offg Director, Dept of Geology.

No. 1089 Dated 20-11-17 Received 21-11-17

Diary No. 7832	Enclos. 1	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 3

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for orders a copy of letter dt 12-11-17 the A. S. Ivatt, Secretary to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate praying for a reconsideration of the order declining to sanction the renewal of prospecting license No 4-2-3 for gold held by the Syndicate over a block of area square of land in Kolar & Mulbagal Taluks.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

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Attention is invited to paragraphs 1–3 of the notes in Geol file no 38-17-2 explaining the reasons for which the application for the renewal of the licence in question was originally rejected. Submitted for orders.

AHS. 22-11-17

VS

2) May be rejected

Secret Member

23/11/17

3) Mr Chief

The issue sent herewith

24/11/17

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NOTES—First Sheet.

WD 1232—GPB—20,000—18-11-17

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ND 1233—GPB—60,000—1-12-16—S.

Serial No.	
	4) A draft calling for the information is putup. A/S. 27-11-17 VS. 5) Seen U/28/11/17
4	To The Offg Director Geological Survey No 7401 dated 1-12-1917 (with reg to Sl 3 requesting to report whether the said syndicate has spent about 5000 Rs as stated by Mr Watt in para 2 of his letter dated 12-11-1917)
5	From the same office No 1618 dt 8-1-18 forwards, with reference to Sl 4, a copy of Mr. Watt's bill of 2-1-18 furnishing details of the expenditure incurred by the Syndicate since 1910 & states that he is inclined to believe in the accuracy of the statement even though it may be a little exaggerated. 6) Submitted with reference to paragraph 3 supra. A/S. 11-1-18 VS. 2nd Member 7) Ref. para 3 U/12/1/18
	323. 12.1.18
	8) Removal of property leased out and a mining lease is a matter of right

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AD 1233—G.P.B.—60,000—1-12-16—S.

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | Genl File No. 38 of 1917-18.

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Question whether the Declaration Policy should first be laid before the Council

9) The case however seems ahead and may be put up forthwith

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10) May be circulated & considered at a meeting.

3653 16.1.18 Devang yes 17.1.

12) C.S. Circulate.

submitted with a draft as directed on 11/2/19 on file

Genl S. para 20. A.S. 12-2-19. 13) Gen 5869/917 to which this is linked

14) Chiefs

Consul matter informal 4991-73 3.3.19

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(For Disposal at [a] Meeting)

No. C. 41

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

COUNCIL MATTER.

SUBJECT.

(Clause xii of the Schedule)

Representation of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for a renewal of the prospecting license for gold.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C S Balasundaram 23

23rd January 1918.

Chief *Secretary to Government.*

H.H. the **Extraordinary Member of Council.** 28.1.18.

First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council. Opinion recorded.

WD 2670—GPB—1,000—11-5-17

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | Gen'l File No. 38 of 1917-18

Serial No.

6 From the Director of Mines & Geology No 2641 dt 11-3-19.

Recommends that under the circumstances represented, prospecting license no 423 held by the Mysore Kolar Gold Syndicate for gold may either be renewed or the same be given the option of applying for a mining lease.

5) Submitted for orders.
ADS
14-3-19.

Please see back

Previous papers have been separately numbered & filed vide R.O.D. 5169-17. Noted & filed

Please put up on 15/3/19

Received
14/3/19

Please put up in Regulation Letter to the Hon'ble Minister

15-3-19

The ADC

The Hon'ble Minister's orders obtained & intimated 7 pages K in linked file
ADC
24-3-19

Submitted on 28-3-19

ADC
28-3-19

~~Papers not complete~~

16) Please bring up
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17) An application for a renewal of the license was rejected in October last. The proposal now made is for reconsideration of the order. It is urged that large expe

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AD 1253 GPL—68,000—1-12-16—S.

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has been incurred on the block already somewhere about Rs 75000 — The Offg Director has stated that though this figure is an exaggerated figure the statement may be accepted as substantially correct —

18) The Director Mtg. now proposes that the prospecting license may be renewed for two years from Sept 1st 1917 with notice to the Syndicate that the license would not be further renewed or that they may be asked to take out a mining lease now straightaway

19) As the policy about Gold has not been yet settled, it is better to give the option to take out a mining lease now, ~~to~~ than to give a prospecting license which would give them the right to a mining lease when they like before September next and the option to give up them if they find them worth unprofitable

20) Put up for orders

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29.3.19.

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31-3-19.

Second Member)

21 It appears to me that the recommendation of the Director M & G may be accepted.

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The License is one to prospect for Gold & the case was once before the Council in 1917.

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Rec'd 31 3.19

Rec'd 2.4.19

May be considered in Council

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Rec'd 4.4.19

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(For Disposal at a Meeting)

No. C. 748

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

COUNCIL MATTER.

SUBJECT

(Clause xii of the Schedule)

Renewal of the prospecting license for gold held by the North Kola Gold Syndicate.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C S Bacaramdaramayya

7th April 1919.

Chief *Secretary to Government.*

Extraordinary Member of Council.

First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council. seen.

Temporary Member of Council.

WP 2570—GPB—1,000—11-5-17

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 488th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 24th April 19

7. Subject.-Clause xii of the Schedule.

Renewal of the prospecting license for gold held by the North Kolar Gold Syndicate.

Opinion of the Council

The Syndicate may be given the option to take a mining lease under the new rules.

Sd. A.R.Banerji,

Offg. Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT"

C S Balasundaram

Chief Secretary to Government.

WD 1148—GPB—1,000—23-12-18

c.748 WD 1283—GPB—60,000—1-12-16—S.

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General and Revenue Secretariat. Govt File No. 38 of 1917-18

Serial No.

To the Assistant Secretary, Branch IV (Mines Dept),

for kindly submitting the file to the Second Member of Council with a draft Final Note.

CSK 25/4/19

DS IV directed - please type a typed copy - mw 25/4

Typed copy submitted MK 26/4/19

DS IV put up for appt. mw 26/4/19

6530-306 26.4.19

Second Member)

DS approved Rees 27.4.19

Under these rules the area for a mining lease for gold is to be fixed at a maximum of ½ a sq mile, i.e. 1 mile long & ½ mile wide the length being not in the direction of the strike of the vein; and the period for a lease is fixed at 20 years in the first instance with an option to the lessee to take out a renewal for a further period of 20 years under the rules in force at the time of termination of the first twenty years.

mw

D.S. IV (with fair copy) submitted

Dewan)

CSK 1/5/19 mw 2/5

Mr Mills to see Mr Rees rule Mining area Period in the rule

Please revise accordingly

CSK 3/5

A sentence as in the slip attached may if appd be added to para 2 of the Final Note.

mw 3/5

Second Member)

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6-5-19	No objection. Page 2 of S.N.V. has been revised accordingly. It was not added to begin with as it did not appear to me to be necessary to do so.

Dewan
7.5.19

Dewan submitted

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on MAY 9 1919
Reg. No. 6988

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Final Note by the ~~Extra~~ SECOND Member of Council.

Subject:—

Grant of a mineral license for gold to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate.

The North Kolar Gold Syndicate held prospecting license No.423 for gold, over a block of one square mile of land in the taluks of Kolar and Mulbagal which expired on the 8th September 1917. On the 6th September 1917, the Syndicate applied for a renewal of the license for one year, but, in conformity with the Council resolution dated 5th July 1917 on the subject of gold exploitation, that "no prospecting or mining lease should be granted for gold until a decision is arrived at in regard to the policy for exploration of gold in the State as a whole, this application was rejected. On this decision of Government being communicated, the Syndicate made a representation that they had spent a very considerable amount on the property amounting to about Rs.75,000/-, that the property had been favourably reported on, that they had great hopes of proving it to be valuable and requested a reconsideration of the order rejecting the application. The Officiating Director of Geology was asked to ascertain whether such large expenditure as stated had been incurred in working the block and he reported that the statement about the expenditure having amounted to Rs.75,000/- might be accepted as generally accurate. Dr. Smeeth, Director of Mines and Geology, has since stated that it would be very arbitrary to refuse the renewal of the license for the grant of a mining lease and that it is a case which deserves special consideration, owing to good work actually done, and recommended that the license might be formally renewed for the period from September 1917 to September 1918 as also for the current year September 1918 to 1919 and that, if Government think the license has run long enough, the Syndicate may be warned that it will not be further renewed. If the license cannot thus be renewed, he recommends that the Syndicate may be asked if

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if they are prepared to apply for a mining lease at once.

Page 7 of Office Note

2. The matter was considered in Council and they are of opinion that the Syndicate may be given the option to take out a mining lease over the block included in the prospecting license previously held by them under the new rules which are now being considered by Government. Under these rules, the area of a mining lease for gold is to be fixed at a maximum of ½ a square mile, ie., 1 mile long and ½ mile wide, the length being not in the direction of the strike of the vein; while the maximum period of a lease is fixed at 20 years in the first instance, with an option to the lessee to take out a renewal for a further period of 20 years, under the rules in force at the time of termination of the first twenty years.

3. This may be approved.

P. Raghavendra Rao
28.4.19
SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.
8.5.19

Bangalore,
8th May 1919.

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Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Second *Member of Council on the subject of* the grant of a mineral license for gold to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate, *for His Highness' gracious approval.*

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Grant of a mineral license for gold to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate.

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Order.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to the Members of Council for perusal of (*) His Highness orders before issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure).

CBalasundaram
Chief Secretary to Govt.

Through the Secretary to Government,

....Department.

1756/28.5.19

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL 28/5/19

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SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL Seen. Issue orders without any delay.
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24.5.19

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TEMPORARY MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

To the Asst Secy. Branch II Minor Depts for a draft

CBS 31/5

*Draft put up (Chief Secy) Issue 31/5 CBS

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7	To The Director Dept: of Mines & Geol. G. 27313 of 5. 6. 1919 States with refee: to 8C 6 that Govt are prepared to give them the option to take out a mining lease over the block under the new rules & that this fact may be Communicated to them with the details of the new rules &c

CHIEF SECRETARIAT. IV MINES. 12 JUN 1919

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WD 2037—GPB—2,000—7-8-17.

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FROM

B. JAYARAM, Esq., F.G.S.,

Offg. Director ~~(in charge)~~, Department of ~~Mines and~~ Geology,

Mysore State. 3

To

C.S.Palasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

SIR.

Refering to your office letter No.G.5403/Geol.38-17-2 dated 10th October 1917, stating that Government do not consider it expedient to sanction the renewal of prospecting license No.423 for gold held by the North Kolar Gold Syndicate over a block of one square mile of land in Kolar and Mulbagal taluks, I have the honour to forward herewith for the information and orders of Government a copy of letter, dated 12th November '17, from Mr.H.T.Ivatt, Secretary to the Syndicate, who was duly informed of the above decision of Government and who now prays for a reconsideration of the same.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

B. Jayaram.

Offg.Director,

Department of Geology.

H.R.S.

Letter, dated 12th November 1917, from Mr H.T. Ivatt, Secretary, North Kolar Gold Syndicate, 2, Sydney Road. Bangalore, to the Offg. Director, Department of Geology, Mysore State.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 18th October No.965, informing me that my Syndicate's prospecting license No.423 for gold over a block of one square mile in the Taluks of Kolar and Mubbagal has been cancelled.

I beg to point out that my Syndicate has spent or caused to be spent a very considerable amount of money on this property, amounting to about Rs.75,000/- ; and that since the mine was given up by Messrs. John Taylor and Sons they have lost no opportunity of endeavouring to get up it reopened by influential and sound financiers in England.

The property has been inspected by friends in England and favourably reported on.

For the past three years, owing to the war, it has been quite impossible to get fresh capital invested, or any fresh enterprise launched. I have had two firms enquiring about the property, asking for particulars, reports etc. with a view to reopening and working it, as soon as opportunity offers.

I may add that my Syndicate have great hopes of ultimately proving this property to be valuable, and the reports by Dr. Smeeth and the late Mr. Slater bear out this probability, for both these officers reported favourably.

I therefore ask that my case may be laid before the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore for reconsideration and that they may be pleased to grant my Syndicate a renewal of the license.

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For [illegible] Offg. Director, Dept. of Geology.

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

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Serial No. 4

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,
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No. G 7601

Date of issue 1 12 17

To

The Offg Director,
Dept of Geology.

Signed by Mr. D E J Peja

Sir,

With reference to your letter no 1089 dated 20th November 1917 on the subject of the renewal of prospecting license no 423 for gold held by the Nandi Kolar Gold Syndicate over a block of one square mile of land in Kolar & Mulbagal Talukas, I am directed to request that ~~accurate information~~ as to the amount spent and the work done by the said Syndicate in opening out the block in question may kindly be furnished for the information of Govt at an early date

I have etc

over.

~~To Chief Secretary~~

You may issue as applied for
& report further
by 25th as stated
Mr Jones in US
Mr Jones in US
Item 2 of his letter dated
12 November 1917
Govt
29/11

WD 2037—GPB—2,000—7-3-17.

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No. 1618/Cec

BANGALORE, 8th January 1918

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FROM

B. JAYARAM, Esq., F.G.S.,
Offg. *Director ~~(in charge)~~, Department of ~~Mines and Geology~~, Mysore State.*

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To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

SIR

With reference to your letter No.G.7401-Geol.38-12-4 dated 1st December 1917, requesting to report whether the North Kolar Gold Syndicate has spent about Rs.75,000 in connection with the prospecting operations carried on on the block held by them under Prospecting License No.423 as stated by Mr. Ivatt in his letter of 12th November 1917, I have the honour to forwerd herewith a copy of Mr. Ivatt's letter of 2nd January 1918, furnishing full details of the expenditure incurred by the members of the Syndicate since 1910 when the block was first acquired by them.

2. I have glanced through their registers and vouchers book showing items of expenditure etc. for the years of 1910 to 1912 and am inclined to believe in the accuracy of their statement even though it may be a little exaggerated.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Jayaram.
Offg. Director,
Department of Geology.

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Letter, dated 2nd January 1918, from Mr. H.T. Ivatt, 2, Sydney Road, Bangalore, to the Offg. Director, Department of Geology, Bangalore.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No.1318, dated the 6th ultimo and in reply beg to state, that the Report and Balance Sheet issued by the Ooregum Gold Mining Co. after they gave up the property show that the Company had spent roughly the sum of £ 5000 sterling on it. I am sorry I have not the Company's report to send you it having been mislaid but no doubt a file of the Ooregum Gold Mining Co's Reports are in your office and I beg to refer you to that of the year 1912 as in June of that year the Ooregum Company closed down all operations.

On referring to the Ooregum Company's Report and Balance Sheet for the year 1911 I find their expenditure amounted to £ 4393.7.3 so that I cannot be far wrong in assuming-in the absence of the Report for 1912- that during the six months of that year their expenditure was £ 600/- which would bring the total amount of the money spent by that Company up to Five Thousand Pounds.

I now give you details of expenditure on the Manighatta block:-

1. By the Ooregum Gold Mining Co.Ltd. £ 5000
   which includes £ 2000/- option purchase
   money to be deducted leaves £ 3000/- Rs.45000-0
2. Total Expenditure by my Syndicate from
   January 15th 1910 to November 29th '13 Rs.49297.6.2

From which must be deducted amounts as follows:-

A. Loans to Lakhavalla Syndicate Rs.500.0.0
B. Refunds on Suspense account 100.0.0
C. Do. of Original Capital 15000.0.0

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			45000.0.0
		49297.6.2	
	15600.0.0		
D. Surplus divided among members	11250.0.0		
E. Value of enhanced deposit with the Geological Office	900.0.0		
		27750.0.0	21547.6.2

To the foregoing I submit I am fully entitled to add:-

Salary of Captain Lethbridge who was in charge of the development operations from January 15th 1910 up to the 20th June 1911 this being the date on which the Ooregum Company paid us the £ 2000/- option money say 17 months @ Rs.600/- per month		10200.0.0	
Less 17 months @ 150/- drawn by Capt Lethbridge as subsistance allowance		2550.0.0	7650.0.0
Interest on original Capital of Rs.15000/- say for twelve months as the Capital was paid up in calls at various times @ 10 %			1500.0.0
Remuneration to Secretary inclusive of Office Rent 17 months @ Rs.100/- a month		1700.0.0	
Less honorarium paid to him		750.0.0	950.0.0
Expenditure during the period from end of June 1912 this being the date on which the Ooregum Company relinquished the option up to end of 1917, 5½ years @ Rs.500/- per annum			2750.0.0
		Total	79397.6.2

Or in round figures Rs.80000/- which however makes no allowance for time employed in Secretarial duties etc., for the past 5½ years.

Copy.

B. Jayaram

Offg. Director,

Department of Geology.

SECRETARIAT IV 11thOR Depts. 13 MAR 1919

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No. 2641.

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GEN. & REV. BRCH. 13 MAR 1919

FROM

DR. W. F. SMEETH, M.A., D.SC., A.R.S.M. etc.,

Director, Department of Mines and Geology,

Mysore State.

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To

C.S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

K. Secretariat Dept. 7576 5/69-V-7

In continuation of Mr B. Jayaram's letter No.1254, dated 11th November 1918, asking for early orders of Government on the subject of the renewal of Prospecting License No.423, I have the honor to state that I have today had an interview with Mr. Coggan and Mr. Tomnie representing the North Kolar Gold Syndicate. They are anxious to raise further money to proceed with the work and ask for early and favourable orders. The Syndicate have the strongest claims to either a renewal of the license or the grant of a mining lease on account of the work done and expenditure incurred.

2. It would be very arbitrary to refuse the renewal of the license or the grant of a mining lease simply on the ground that th had not applied for a mining lease before the termination of the year's license in view of the policy hitherto followed of renewing licenses. It is a case which deserves special consideration owing to good work actually done and they should not be deprived of the fruits of this without due warning that Government was proposing not to renew licenses.

3 I recommend that the license may be formally renewed for

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the period September 1917 to September 1918 and for the current year September 1918-1919 and if Government thinks the license has run long enough they may be warned that it will not be further renewed. Failing this they may be asked if they are prepared to apply for a mining lease at once.

I beg that early orders may be passed in this case.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Director

Department of Mines and Geology.

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SUBJECT.....

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Section Geol

File No. 38-17

Serial No. 7

No. 27313

Date of issue 5 6 19

To

The Dir Mines.

Signed by for Mr Secy

Sir,

PUB

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter no 2641 of 11.3.19 regarding the renewal of Prospg License no 423 for gold held by the North Kolar Gold Syndicate stating that the case was one which deserved special consideration and recommending either the formal renewal of the license for the two years September 1917-19 with notice that it would not be further renewed or the offer to the Syndicate

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of a mining lease at once I am
directed to state that in view of
the considerations urged in favour
the Syndicate Govt are prepared to
give them the option to take out a
mining lease over the blocks under
the new rules. This may be com-
municated to the Syndicate along
with details of the new rules as
proposed by the Committee on Mineral
Policy and other necessary action
taken accordingly

Thanks
Ch Secy
31/5/19.

List of enclosures.

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Examined by

W D86—G P B—60,000—15-11-16